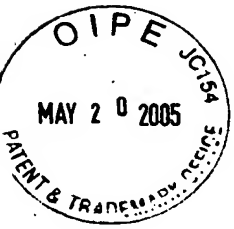


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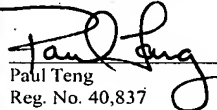
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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 27, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

This Communication is submitted in response to the April 27, 2005 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The April 27, 2005 Office Action indicates that examination of the application will be restricted by the Patent Office under 35 U.S.C. §121 to one of the following allegedly distinct species:

- Group I. Claims 1-10, 31-34 and 43-46;
- Group II. Claims 11-20, 35-38 and 47-50; and
- Group III. Claims 21-30, 39-42 and 51-54.

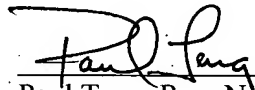
Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-10, 31-34 and 43-46.

If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper should be considered to be such a petition.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required in connection with this response and to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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